
CLIMCAPS Status

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CLIMCAPS operational sounding products benefit from NOAA R2O of NASA algorithms

AIRS v5.9 (2007) ⇒ NUCAPS (2008+) ⇒ CLIMCAPS (2019) ⇒ NUCAPS ...

	NASA CLIMCAPS	NOAA NUCAPS
A-priori	MERRA-2 for T(p), q(p), O3(p)	Global regression (i.e., model independent)
Error propagation	Eigenvector expansion of full 2-D covariance	1-D diagonal w/ specified vertical “oscillation”
Supported systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• S-NPP NSR & FSR full mission• JPSS-1 (NOAA-20) full mission• Aqua full mission, end of 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Metop –A, -B, -C• S-NPP FSR• JPSS-1 (NOAA-20)
Latency	~1 month (wait f/ MERRA)	Real time (~30 minutes)
Averaging Kernels?	YES – fully supported	Not operational, but can provide via science code

NUCAPS = NOAA-Unique Combined Atmospheric Processing System
CLIMCAPS = Community Long-term Infrared Microwave Coupled Atmospheric Product System

Retrieval products in CLIMCAPS

Information content analysis is “built-in”

Core Retrieval Product	Spectral Region (cm ⁻¹)
Temperature, T	650-750, 2200-2400
Water Vapor, q	1200-1650
Ozone, O ₃	990 – 1070
Carbon Monoxide, CO	2155 – 2220
Methane, CH ₄	1220 – 1350
Carbon Dioxide, CO ₂	660 – 760 2200 – 2400

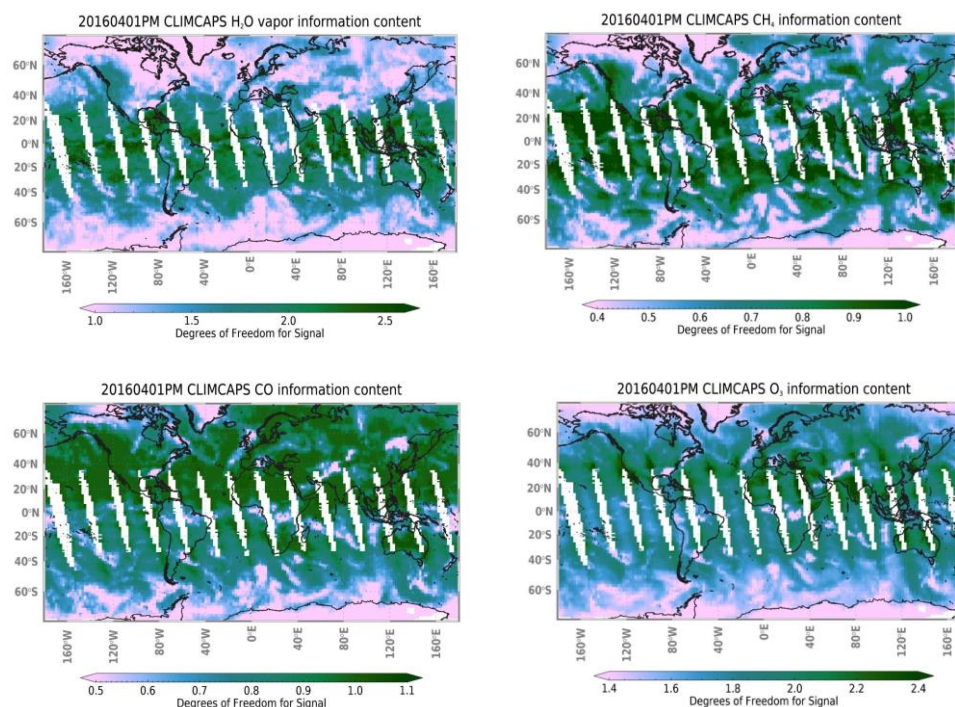
Experimental trace gas profiles

Nitric Acid, HNO ₃	760 – 1320
Nitrous Oxide, N ₂ O	1290 – 1300 2190 – 2240
Volcanic Sulfur Dioxide, SO ₂	1343 – 1383

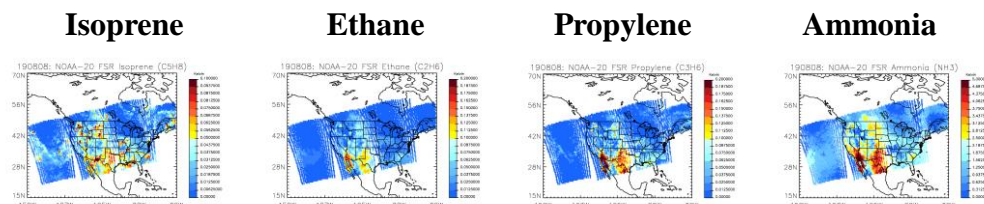
Experimental Single-FOV detection flags

Isoprene (C ₅ H ₈)	893.8
Ethane (C ₂ H ₆)	822.5
Propylene (C ₃ H ₆)	911.9
Ammonia (NH ₃)	966.25 + 928.75

Example of product degrees of freedom



Example of experimental detection flags



CLIMCAPS Version.2 at NASA GES-DISC

for full missions of S-NPP and JPSS-1

Short Name	DOI	Description
SNDRSNIML2CCPRETN	10.5067/9HR0XHCH3IGS	Geophysical state derived from Suomi-NPP ATMS + CrIS NSR
SNDRSNIML2CCPCCRN	10.5067/CNG0ST72533Z	Cloud Cleared Radiances derived from Suomi-NPP CrIS NSR
SNDRSNIML2CCPRET	10.5067/62SPJFQW5Q9B	Geophysical state derived from Suomi-NPP ATMS + CrIS FSR
SNDRSNIML2CCPCCR	10.5067/ATJX1J10VOMU	Cloud Cleared Radiances derived from Suomi NPP CrIS FSR
SNDRJ1IML2CCPRET	10.5067/LESQUBLWS18H	Geophysical state derived from JPSS-1 (NOAA-20) ATMS + CrIS
SNDRJ1IML2CCPCCR	10.5067/KE4WCXM829A3	Cloud Cleared Radiances derived from JPSS-1 (NOAA-20) CrIS

Note: NSR = Nominal Spectral Resolution, FSR = Full Spectral Resolution
Went “live” at NASA/GES-DISC in April 2019

We expect to deliver version 3 in late spring 2021 (at end of current funding)

- Mitigate differences between Aqua, S-NPP, and JPSS-1 systems
 - Upgrade to AIRS v.7 L1c, CrIS v.3 L1b
 - Analysis of v.2 information content to optimize regularization, functions, channels, etc.
 - Homogenize averaging kernels across satellite domains
- Finish 2-D error propagation of T/q/O₃ into downstream trace gases
 - Use NOAA CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O a-priori (J. Warner)
- Improve surface a-priori and retrieval
 - Improve PBL sensitivity

For More Information

CLIMCAPS *Science* User Guides (will be available soon):

- Complements the *Product* User Guides, ATBD's and papers
- Online wiki-like format: <https://airs-guide.jpl.nasa.gov>
- Guides on products (H₂O, O₃, CO, etc.) and use (averaging kernels, etc.)
- A “living” document to describe theory, algorithm details, caveats, etc.

Recent Publications (all open access)

(Smith and Barnett 2019 Remote Sensing) CLIMCAPS Algorithm paper

<https://www.mdpi.com/2072-4292/11/10/1227>

(Smith and Barnett 2020 Atm. Meas. Tech.) CLIMCAPS Information Content

<https://amt.copernicus.org/articles/13/4437/2020/>

(Esmaili et al. 2020 Remote Sensing) NUCAPS Weather Applications

<https://www.mdpi.com/2072-4292/12/5/886>

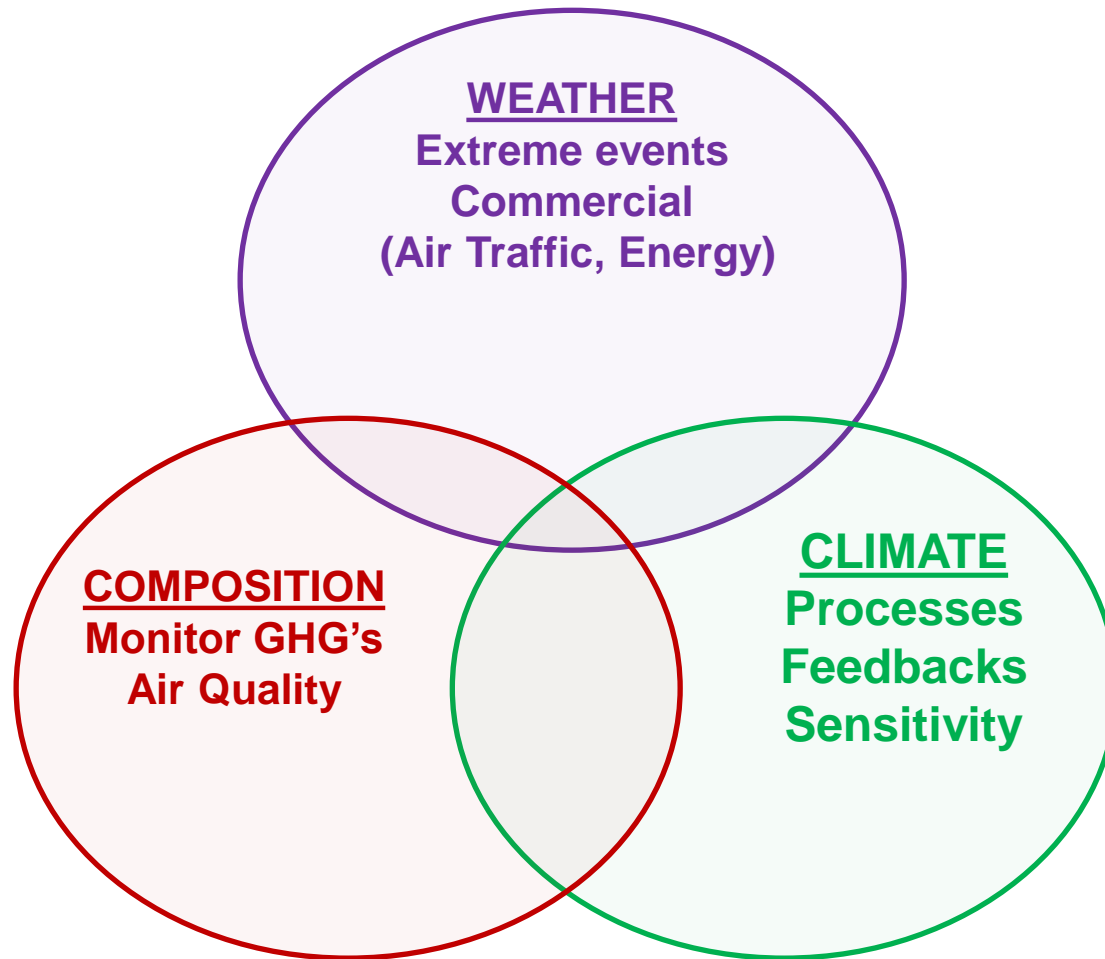
Want to know more?

Presentations at this meeting

- CLIMCAPS Evaluation
 - Oct. 8 9:00 PDT Nadia Smith CLIMCAPS overview
 - Oct. 8 10:50 PDT Sun Wong – CLIMCAPS/Aqua & AIRS v.7
 - Oct. 8 11:10 PDT Tao Wang – CLIMCAPS/S-NPP & JPSS-1
- CLIMCAPS user engagement
 - Oct. 13 10:00 PDT Brad Smith, CO, O₃
 - Oct. 13 10:55 PDT Nadine de Bruyn, CO
 - Oct. 13 11:20 PDT Irina Petropavlovskikh, O₃ and others
 - Oct. 13 11:20 PDT Nadia Smith, O₃
- NUCAPS user engagement
 - Oct. 15 10:10 PDT Erika Duran, Cylones
 - Oct. 15 10:35 PDT Jeff Szkodzinky, real-time NUCAPS T/q
 - Oct. 15 10:10 PDT Emily Berndt, NUCAPS-Aqua

Backup Slides

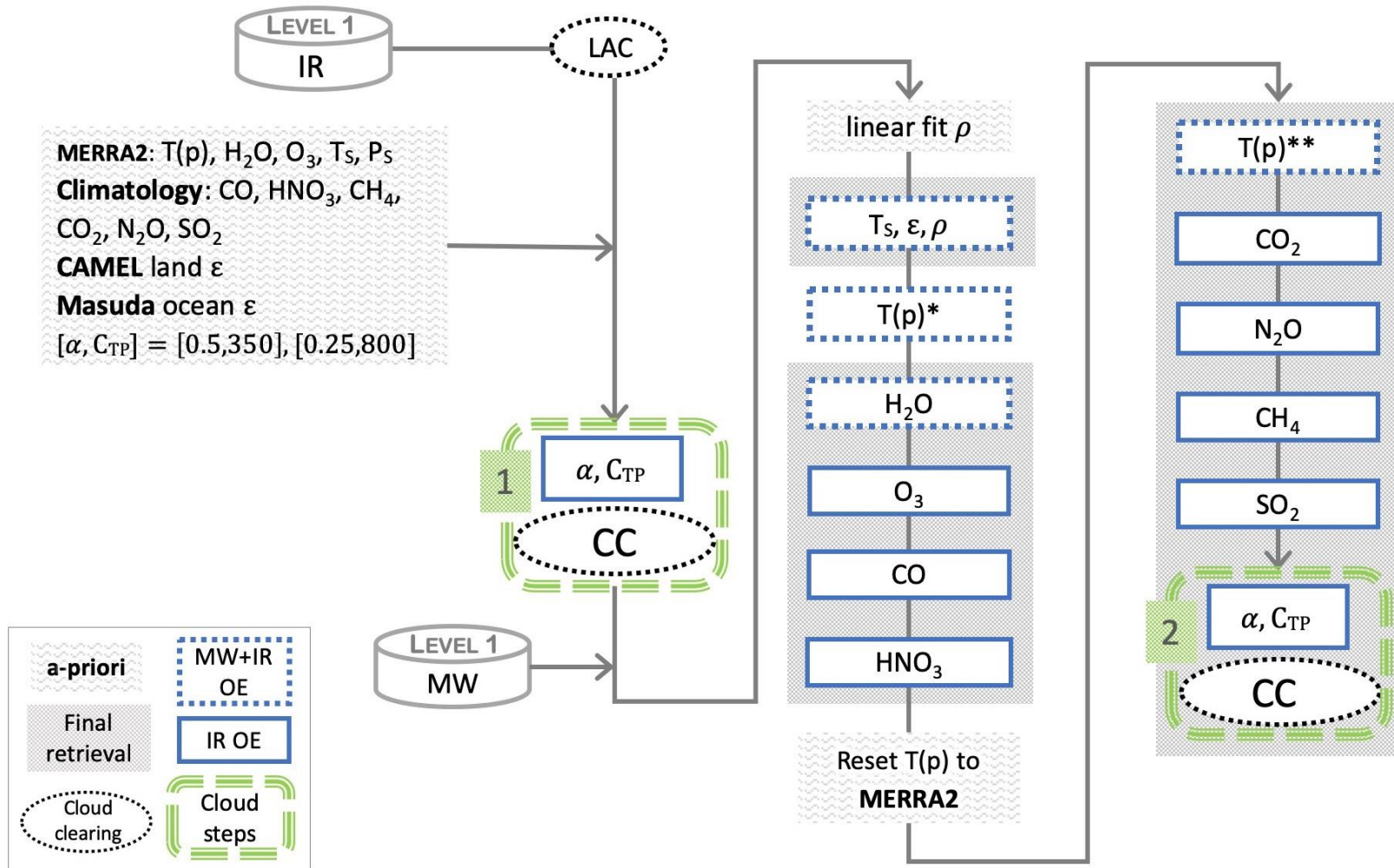
Together these algorithms can contribute to the needs of three communities



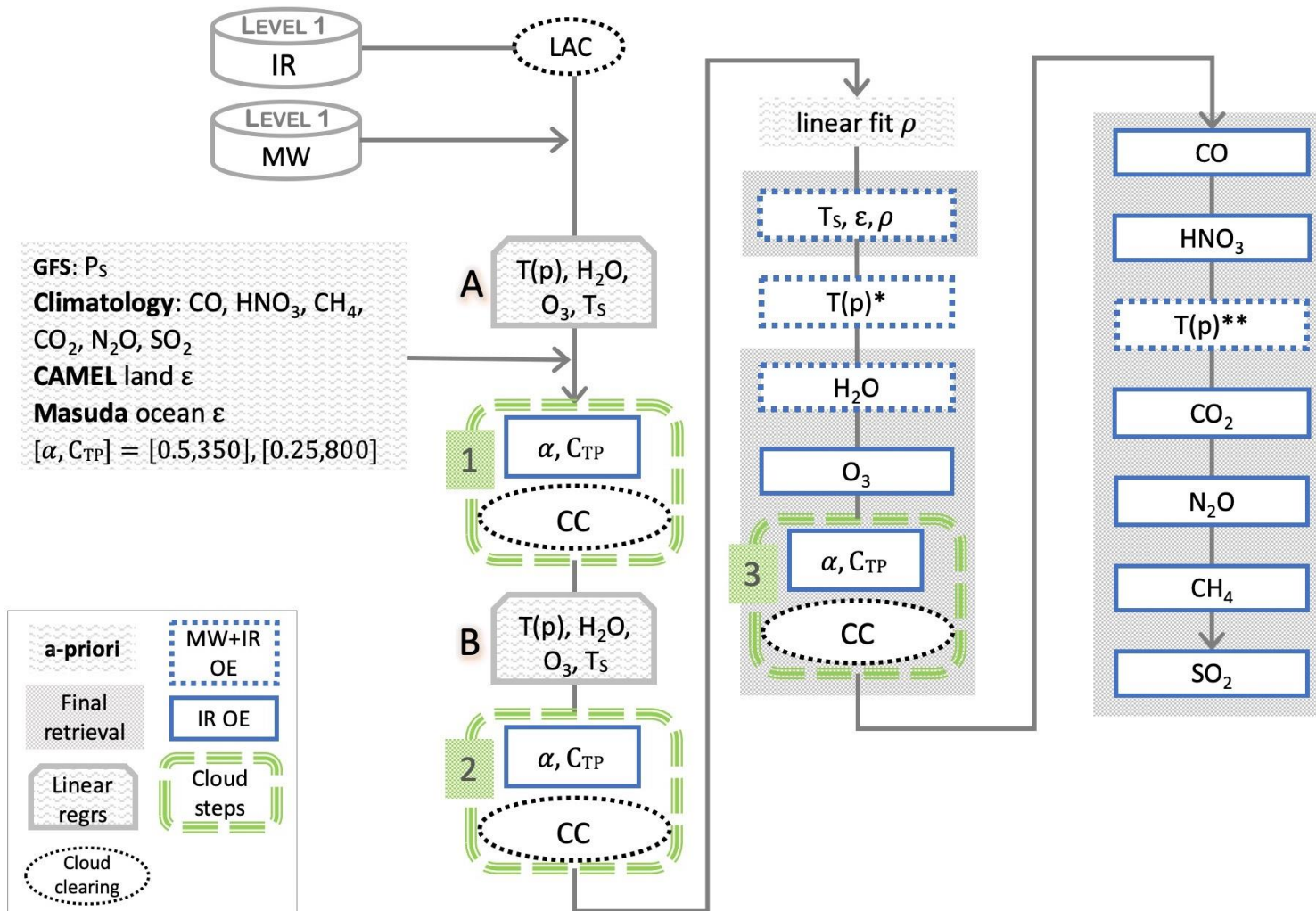
Relevant ROSES-TASNPP funded research activities at NASA – 2018-2020 cycle

- Larrabee Strow (UMBC) Climate anomalies of CO₂, CH₄, N₂O, etc. from CrIS and AIRS
- Helen Worden (UCAR): Extend MOPITT Carbon Monoxide from CrIS + TROPOMI
- Karen Cady-Pereira (AER) and David Henze (U.Colorado): Ammonia retrieval and inverse modeling from CrIS
- Vivienne Payne: Peroxyacetyl Nitrate (PAN) retrievals from CrIS

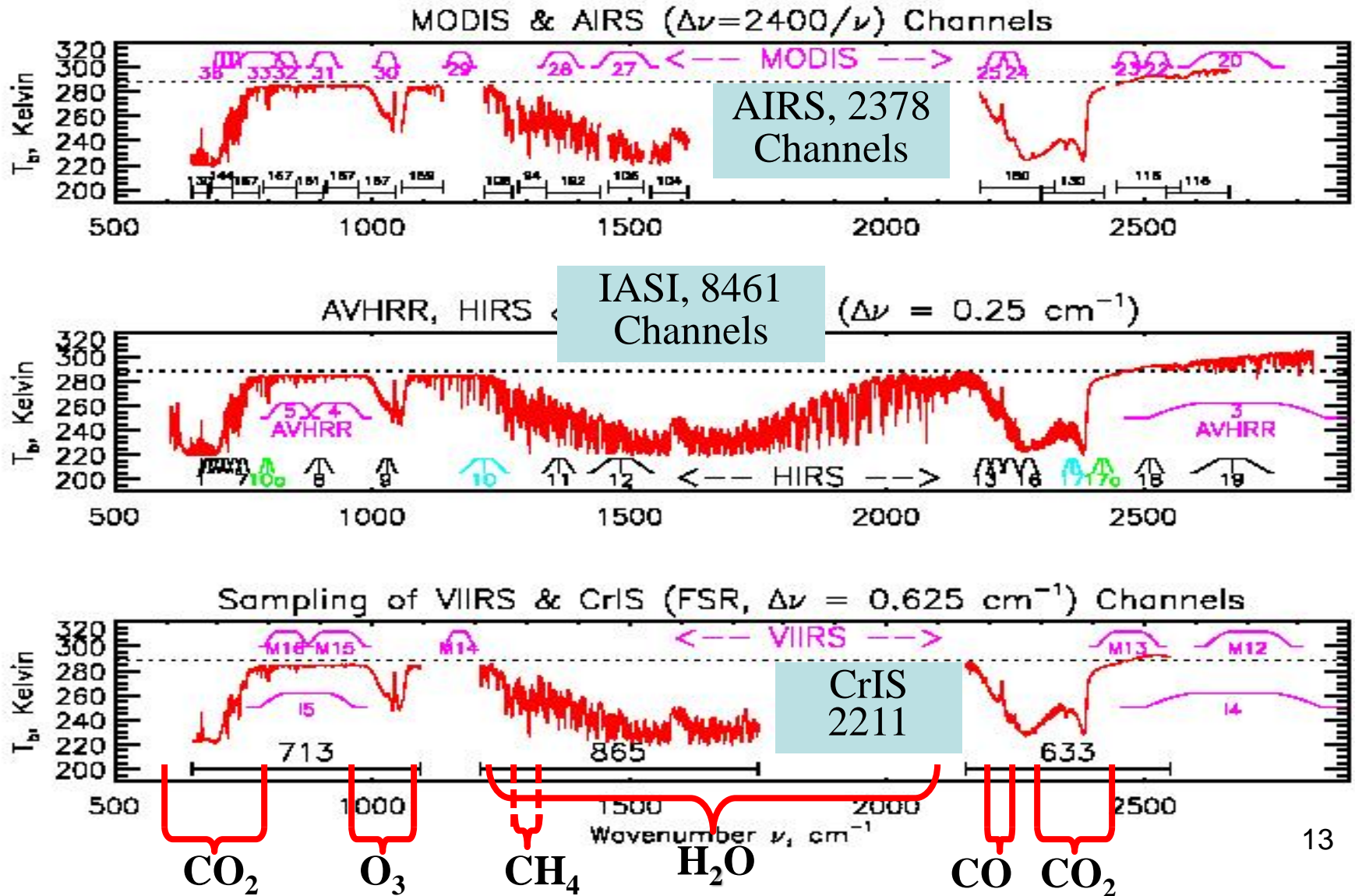
Simplified CLIMCAPS Flow Diagram



Simplified NUCAPS Flow Diagram

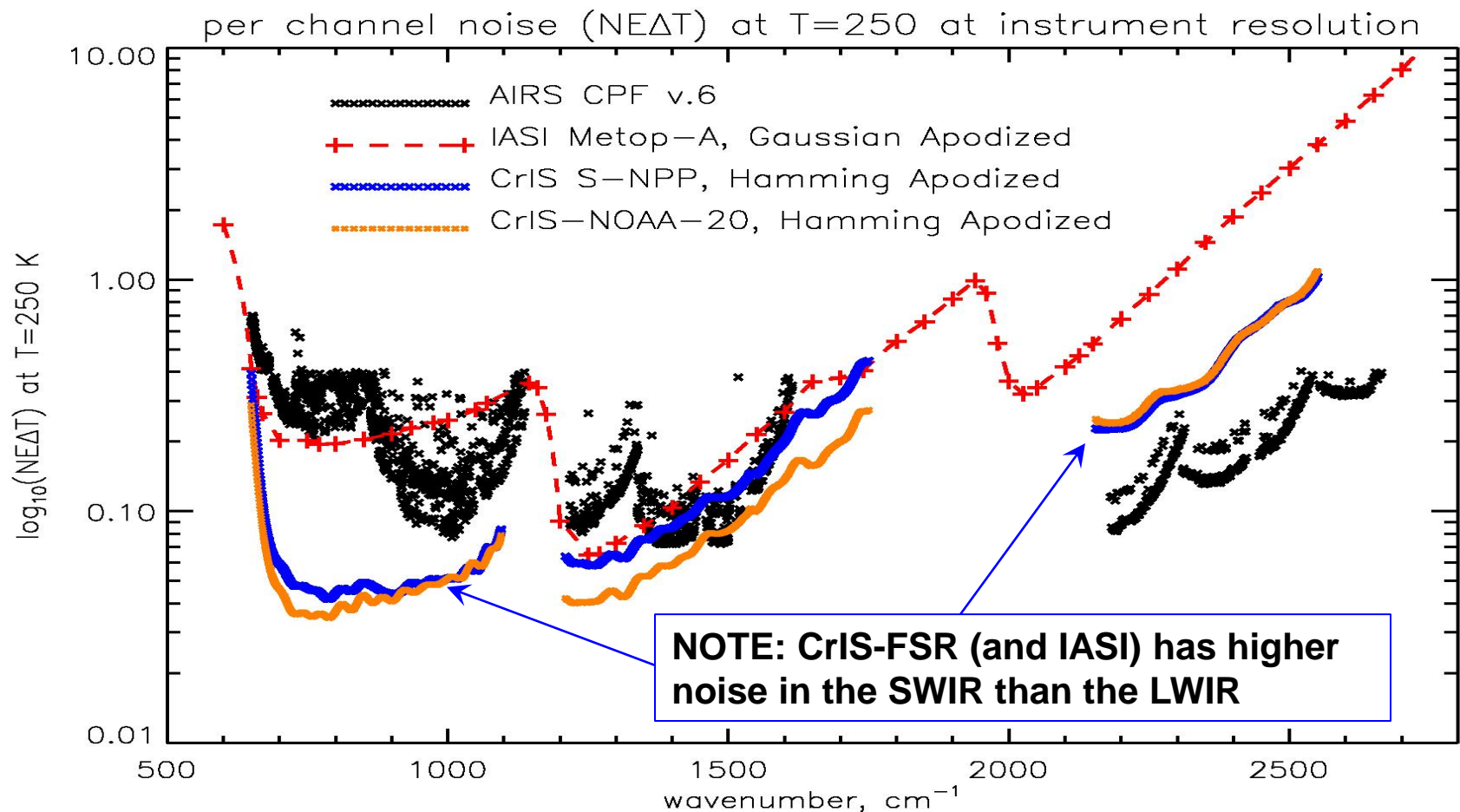


Spectral Coverage of Thermal Sounders & Imagers (Aqua, Metop-A,B,C, Suomi-NPP, NOAA-20+)



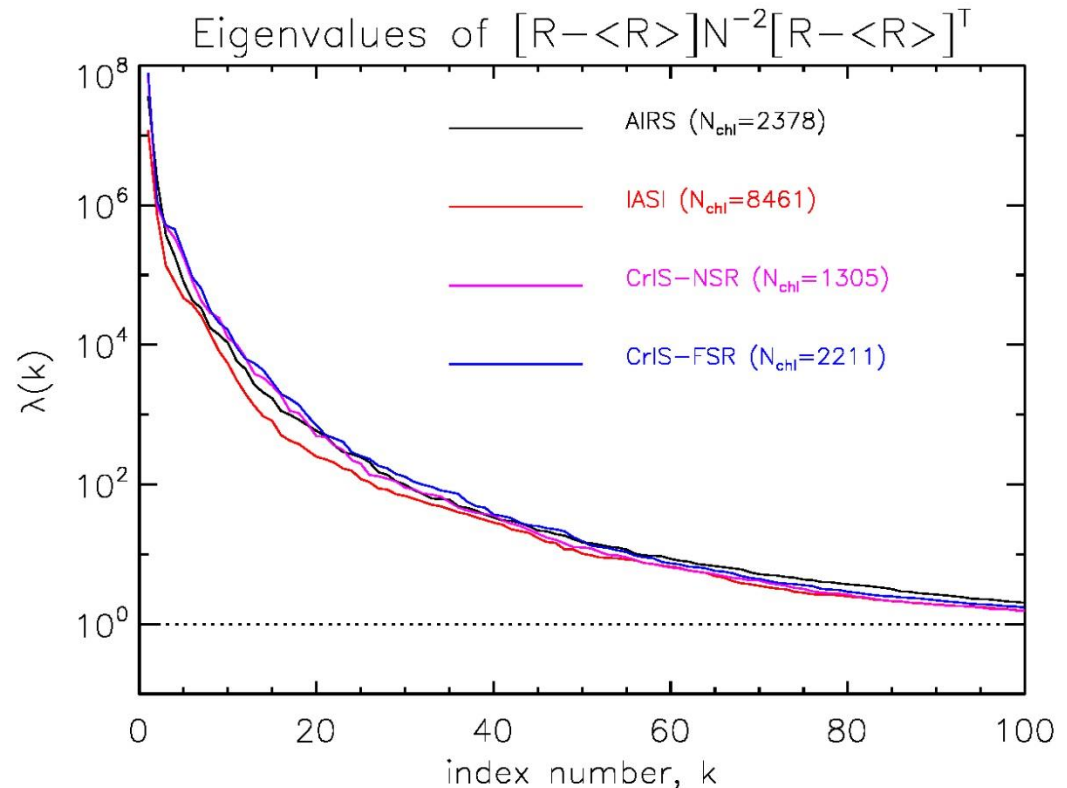
What is important for sounding is signal to noise

Per channel noise is shown as noise equivalent delta temperature ($NE\Delta T$) at a cold scene temperature ($T=250$ K)



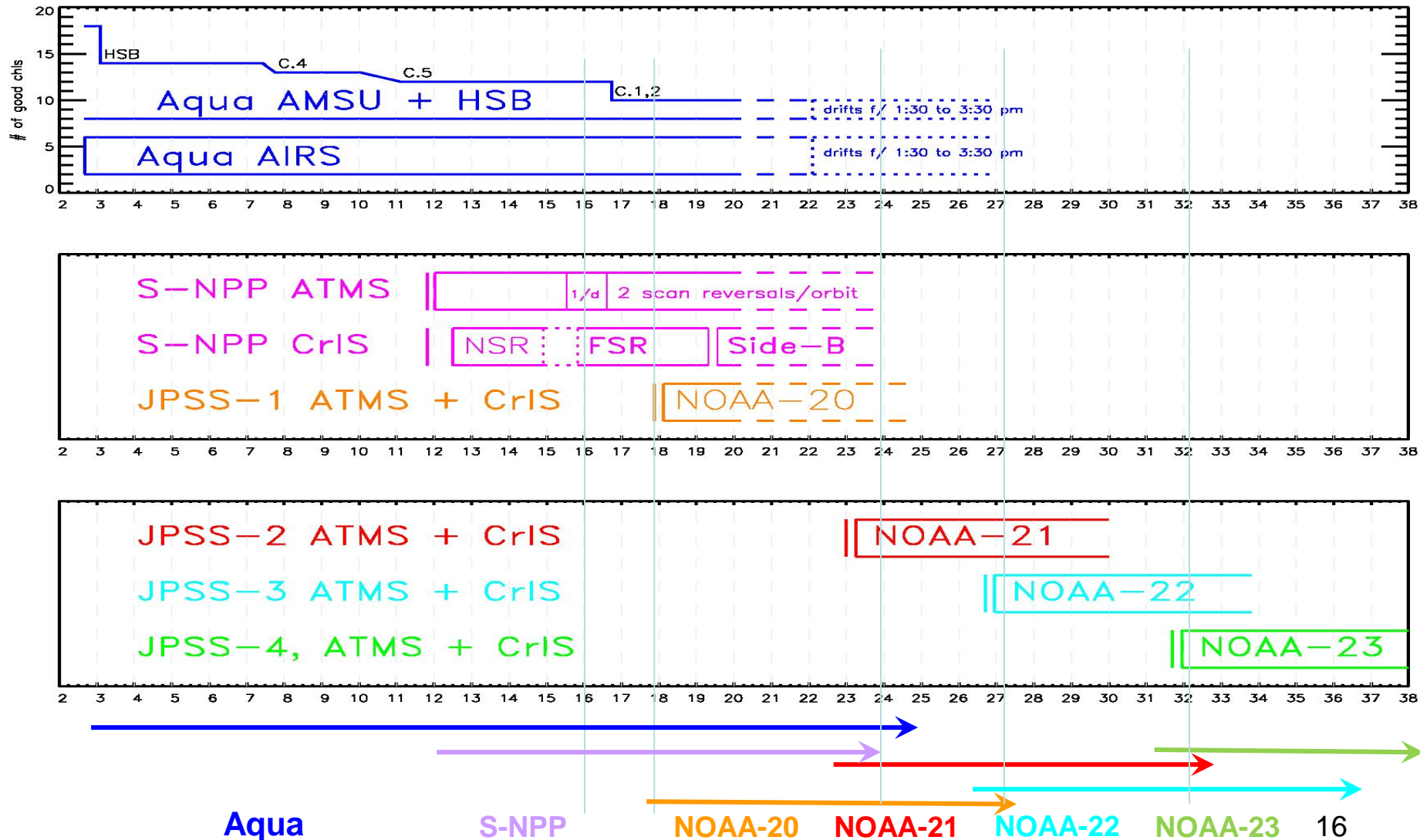
The information content of modern sounding instruments is amazingly similar

- AIRS, IASI, and CrIS each have ~100 degrees of freedom
- Even though AIRS, IASI, and CrIS have different number of channels, ILS, noise, etc.



The 1st 100 significant eigenvectors of radiance covariance for a set of focus days normalized at $\lambda(k=200)$

Choosing the cross-over points for Aqua, S-NPP, NOAA-20 and beyond



Applications we are **NOT** targeting with NUCAPS & CLIMCAPS.

Topic	Potential applications for thermal sounding products
Long term GHG trends	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For GHG-relevant gases we have very low information content.• We relax to a-priori assumptions so we only see ~50% of the signal.• Large cross-talk between CO₂/T, N₂O/T, CH₄/q, etc.• Recommend using other products for trends<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For example, Larrabee Strow's radiance anomaly product (also funded by NASA TASNPP)
GHG Emissions Monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We have very low (and variable) sensitivity in the PBL• Most of our PBL information content comes from a-priori assumptions.• We complement the information content of passive solar sensors.
High spatial resolution approaches for trace gases.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clouds are still a major obstacle for infrared sounding.• NU/CLIMCAPS are intended as global quick look products.• NU/CLIMCAPS can be used as “triggers” for more advanced algorithms<ul style="list-style-type: none">• could use CLIMCAPS to launch specialty algorithms (e.g., NASA TASNPP or AC4 funded algorithms, MUSES, etc.)

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T(p), q(p) sounding and data assimilation	Knowledge of CO ₂ , O ₃ , HNO ₃ , N ₂ O needed to derive T(p) Knowledge of CH ₄ , N ₂ O, SO ₂ needed to derive q(p)
GHG Monitoring	Enhance the boundary layer sensitivity of passive solar retrieval products.
Ozone	Ozone hole; intrusions and mid-trop O ₃ (Langford 2018 Atmos. Env); LS O ₃ trends (Ball 2018 ACP, Wargan 2018 GRL); CO/O ₃ ratio (Anderson 2016 Nat.Comm)
Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂)	Seasonal cycle amplitude (Barnes 2016 JGR), Clear bias and diurnal “rectifier” effects (Corbin 2008 JGR), and stratospheric/troposphere CO ₂ gradient. Evaluation of transport models (mixing into mid-trop, etc.). Note that separability of T/CO ₂ is significantly improved with use of Merra-2 a-priori and with AMSU/ATMS O ₂ bands for T(p)
Carbon Monoxide	Long-term trends of CO (Worden 2013 ACP). Impact on OH (Gaubert 2017 GRL), Seasonal cycle (Park 2015 JGR) and CO/CO ₂ emission factors (Wang 2009 ACP)
Methane (CH ₄)	Monitoring of Amazon CH ₄ (Bloom 2016 ACP), Changes to Arctic emissions (Shakhova 2010 Science, Thornton 2016 GRL)
Other trace gases	Nitric Acid, Nitrous Oxide, Sulfur Dioxide are supported with experimental retrievals. Ammonia, Isoprene, Ethane, and Propylene are potentially useful as tracer-tracer correlations, emission ratios (errors tend to cancel), source type identification, etc.